



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813-3077

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

Voting Members:

Joey Manahan, Chair
Kymberly Marcos Pine, Vice Chair
Ikaika Anderson
Brandon J.C. Elefante
Ron Menor

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 30, 2018

COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM
2ND FLOOR, HONOLULU HALE
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96813

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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Committee on Transportation was called to order by Committee Chair Joey Manahan at 1:09 p.m. Voting Members Elefante, Menor, and Pine were present at the meeting. Voting Member Anderson was excused from the meeting.

STAFF PRESENT

Mitchel Cabrerros, Legislative Aide to Committee Chair Manahan
Doug Chun, Analyst, Office of Council Services
Sharon Brooks, Attorney, Office of Council Services
Kathleen Kelly, Deputy, Department of the Corporation Counsel, assigned to the Committee
Darcie Nago, Council Committee Aide, Office of the City Clerk

ORDER OF BUSINESS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 28, 2018 meeting of the Committee on Transportation were approved as circulated.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

SUNSHINE ITEM

At this juncture, Committee Chair Manahan requested that, pursuant to Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) Chapter 92-7, the Sunshine Law, Resolution 18-152, be placed on the Committee's agenda for action. With no objections from the four members present (Ayes: Elefante, Menor, Pine, Manahan – 4), Resolution 18-152 was added to the agenda to be taken up after Item No. 4.

FOR ACTION

Committee Chair Manahan announced he would take up Items 1 and 2 together.

1. BILL 61 (2018) – COMMITTEE REPORT 301

RELATING TO CROSSWALKS. Requiring public notice, input, and engagement in proposals by the City Administration to remove or relocate crosswalks.

2. RESOLUTION 18-170 – COMMITTEE REPORT 302

COMPLETE STREETS DESIGN MANUAL. Requesting the Directors of Transportation Services, Design and Construction, Planning and Permitting, and Facility Maintenance to update the Complete Streets Design Manual as soon as practicable and reasonable, to incorporate current best practices, particularly with respect to pedestrian crossing treatments and safety countermeasures at uncontrolled locations.

Administration/Others

Jon Nouchi, Deputy Director, Department of Transportation Services (DTS)

Deputy Director Nouchi spoke in support of the measures, stating that the DTS notifies the neighborhood boards and prints public notices in the Honolulu Star Advertiser before changes are made to crosswalks. He recognizes the need for consistent public outreach and notes the Department's ongoing efforts on improving communication with the public. The Deputy Director informed the Committee that the Complete Streets Design Manual is in the process of being updated in conjunction with the Pedestrian Plan.

The Deputy Director provided an overview on the Department's process on implementing and removing crosswalks and traffic signals. He stated that data, such as pedestrian and vehicular volumes, vehicular speeds, and usage, is collected and evaluated based on the Manual Uniform Traffic Code Device (MUTCD).

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Deputy Director Nouchi addressed Committee members' queries, stating that the MUTCD is the standard for signage and design and concurred that any constructed or repaved street would be subject to the Complete Streets Ordinance. The Deputy Director agreed to provide information on whether devices would be added in the absence of a crosswalk and how quality of life issues, such as the overall health outcomes of the community that pedestrians can benefit from having crosswalks, are quantified.

The following individuals testified:

1. Peggy Mierzwa, Blue Zones Projects Hawaii (support)
2. Amanda Ybanez, Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board #15 (support)
3. Ken Farm, Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board #15 (support Bill 61 [2018])
4. Arvid Youngquist (comments)
5. Barbra Armentrout (support Bill 61 [2018])
6. Rose Pou (comments)

Committee Member Pine spoke in support of both measures.

Committee Member Menor spoke in support of the Bill.

Bill 61 (2018) reported out for passage on second reading and scheduling of a public hearing.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.

NOES: None.

EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

Resolution 18-170 reported out for adoption.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.

NOES: None.

EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

Related communications:

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| M-415 | Early Testimony for Bill 61 (2018). |
| M-416 | Early Testimony for Resolution 18-170. |
| M-435 | Additional Testimony for Bill 61 (2018). |
| M-436 | Additional Testimony for Resolution 18-170. |

3. BILL 40 (2018), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 300

RELATING TO THE USE OF KANEOHE BAY DRIVE. Addressing the use of certain vehicles on Kaneohe Bay Drive.

Administration/Others

Jon Nouchi, Deputy Director, Department of Transportation Services

Deputy Director Nouchi spoke in support of the Bill.

There was no public testimony or discussion.

Bill 40 (2018), CD1 reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.

NOES: None.

EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

4. BILL 8 (2018), CD1 – COMMITTEE REPORT 299

RELATING TO BUSES. Setting pollution control requirements for certain City buses.

The following amendment was posted on the agenda:

PROPOSED CD2 TO BILL 8 (2018), CD1 (Submitted by Councilmember Manahan) – The CD2 (OCS2018-0791/8/15/2018 2:19 PM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Deletes the word "only" from the proposed new ROH Section 13-6.__(b) ("Zero emissions buses") to permit, rather than mandate, the use of zero emissions buses to service routes with at least one bus stop at or within 100 yards of a Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project rail station or a multi-modal transit center, in order to address separation of powers concerns.
- B. Moves the exemption from the zero-emission requirement in the last sentence in proposed new ROH Section 13-6.__(b) to subsection (c) as new subdivision (1), since subsection (c) deals with exemptions. Designates the existing exemption in subsection (c) for paratransit vehicles as subdivision (2).

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- C. Replaces the term "paratransit vehicles" in proposed new ROH Section 13-6.__(c)(2) with "vehicles providing special transit services pursuant to Article 4" because there is no definition for "paratransit vehicles" in ROH Chapter 13, and for consistency with the provision of Chapter 13 governing special transit services. (ROH Section 13-1.1 contains a definition for "special transit service vehicle," but that term has not been used because it is limited to City-owned vehicles."
- D. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

The following amendment was circulated at the meeting:

PROPOSED CD2 TO BILL 8 (2018), CD1 (Submitted by Councilmember Manahan) – The CD2 (OCS2018-0849/8/30/2018 11:51 AM) makes the following amendments:

- A. Amends subsection (b) to:
 - 1. Require the Director of Transportation Services to consider using, rather than require using, zero emissions buses to service routes with at least one bus stop at or within 100 yards of a Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project rail station or a multi-modal transit center;
 - 2. Remove the requirement that the rail stations be "active," meaning "when trains that are in revenue service stop at the station;" and
 - 3. Remove exceptions for routes that include at least one bus stop that is at least nine miles away from the closest Honolulu High-Capacity Transit Corridor Project rail station or multi-modal transit center.
- B. Makes miscellaneous technical and nonsubstantive amendments.

Administration/Others

Jon Nouchi, Deputy Director, Department of Transportation Services

Committee Chair Manahan, the introducer of the Bill, provided a brief overview of the hand-carried CD2.

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Deputy Director Nouchi spoke in support of the Bill and asked for the Council's continued support for the electrification of the transportation program in order to bring better vehicles for the environment to Honolulu.

The following individuals testified:

1. Barbra Armentrout (comments)
2. Ken Farm, Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board #15 (comments)
3. Rose Pou (comments)
4. Arvid Youngquist (comments)

Committee Chair Manahan recommended amending the Bill to the hand-carried CD2 and reporting it out for Council action.

Bill 8 (2018), CD1 amended to CD2 (OCS2018-0849/8/30/2018 11:51 AM) and reported out for passage on third reading.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.

NOES: None.

EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

SUNSHINE ITEM

Committee Chair Manahan called for a motion, pursuant to HRS, Section 92-7, the Sunshine Law, to add to the agenda Resolution 18-152. Committee Member Pine motioned and it was seconded by Committee Member Elefante to add Resolution 18-152 to the agenda, with no objections from the four members present (Ayes: Elefante, Menor, Pine, Manahan – 4).

RESOLUTION 18-152

TRANSPORTATION SAFETY EDUCATION OUTREACH PROGRAM AND MEDIA CAMPAIGN. Urging the City Administration, through the Department of Transportation Services and the Honolulu Police Department, to implement a transportation safety education outreach program and media campaign addressing issues and conflicts among motorists, bicyclists, pedestrians, moped operators, and users of growing mobility marketplace options such as scooters and electric personal assistive mobility devices.

Administration/Others

Jon Nouchi, Deputy Director, Department of Transportation Services

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Deputy Director Nouchi spoke in support of the Resolution; however, stated the concern that a funding source for an outreach program and media campaign was not accounted for in the current year. The Deputy Director stated that the Department would work with the Honolulu Police Department on the campaign.

The following individuals testified:

1. Rose Pou (support)
2. Barbra Armentrout (support)
3. Ken Farm, Kalihi-Palama Neighborhood Board #15 (support)
4. Arvid Youngquist (support)

Committee Chair Manahan stated that he would like to work with the departments and introducer on incorporating study language into the Resolution and recommended deferring action until the next Committee meeting.

Action on Resolution 18-152 deferred.

AYES: ELEFANTE, MENOR, PINE, MANAHAN – 4.
NOES: None.
EXCUSED: ANDERSON – 1.

The Committee Chair continued with the remaining agenda item.

FOR DISCUSSION

5. THE HONOLULU AUTHORITY FOR RAPID TRANSPORTATION'S CONSTRUCTION UPDATE.

Administration/Others

Sam Carnaggio, Project Director, Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation (HART)
Joyce Oliveira, HART

Mr. Carnaggio provided the HART construction update, as detailed in Communication D-569 and addressed Committee members' queries with the following information:

- The University of Hawaii (UH) Park and Ride would be located across from the UH West Oahu station.

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- The HART is working cooperatively with the UH on establishing the funding source for the road at the UH West Oahu station.
- There has been interest shown in the Public Private Partnership (P3) concept. The HART will present it to the Board for its support before bringing it before the Council.
- The HART is working through the challenges with the UH and the State Department of Transportation to gain access to the land where Stuart Plaza is located.

Committee Member Elefante acknowledged and thanked the HART for repaving phase one of Kamehameha Highway in the Pearl City and Aiea corridor.

Ms. Oliveira addressed Committee Member Menor's concerns about the potential financial implications of P3 and the lack of HART's communication with the Council, stating that they are in the process of meeting with the Transportation Committee Chair and that the matters may be a future item on the Committee's agenda.

Committee Chair Manahan thanked the HART for their construction update and for holding community meetings.

The following individual testified:

Arvid Youngquist (comments)

Related communications:

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| D-569 | Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation, submitting the Construction Update presentation. |
| D-572 | Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation, submitting the July 2018 Monthly Progress Report. |

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

GLEN I. TAKAHASHI
City Clerk

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DATE APPROVED

September 20, 2018